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EMBASSY MAY USE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IF ASKED TO MAKE A PUBLIC DECLARATION ON ROBERT VESCO'S APPLICATION FOR COSTA RICAN CITIZENSHIP. STATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE VOLUNTEERED, BUT RATHER IS FOR CONTINGENCY USE.

BEGIN TEXT:

THE UNITED STATES HAS THE HIGHEST RESPECT FOR THE GOVERNMENT AND INSTITUTIONS OF COSTA RICA. THESE INSTITUTIONS HAVE RECENTLY GIVEN THE WORLD AN
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IMPORTANT LESSON ON HOW A DEMOCRACY CAN ACT EFFECTIVELY AND PROCEED TO A PEACEFUL TRANSFER OF POWER THROUGH THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE.

IT I BECAUSE THE UNITED STATES RESPECTS THE DEMOCRACY WHICH EXISTS IN COSTA RICA THAT WE WISH TO AVOID EVEN THE APPEARANCE OF INTERFERENCE IN HER INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

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WE RECOGNIZE COSTA RICA HAS THE RIGHT, CONSISTENT WITH INTERNATIONAL LAW, TO CONFER CITIZENSHIP THROUGH ITS OWN RULES AND PROCEDURES, AND AS FOR THE PETITION RECENTLY PRESENTED TO THE COSTA RICAN CIVIL REGISTRY BY MR. ROBERT VESCO, THE UNITED STATES CAN ONLY SAY THAT MR. VESCO IS A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE IN THE UNITED STATES, WHERE HE HAS BEEN INDICTED FIVE SEPARATE TIMES FOR CRIMINAL OFFENSES. HE IS ALSO THE SUBJECT OF NUMEROUS CIVIL SUITS, ONE OF WHICH WAS BROUGHT BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES AND IS STILL PENDING. END TEXT. VANCE

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